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## MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Enclosed	for filing is the utility patent application of <u>Steven Neil Simon and David N</u>	<u>1.</u>
O'Rourke for	REPLICATION SERVER SELECTION METHOD.	

- [X] Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure <u>2A</u> for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- [X] Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: Apple Computer, Inc.

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Also	enclosed are:						
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Total Claims	aims 51 MINUS 20 = 31 $\times$ \$18.00 (1202) =						
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If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)							
Total Application Fee					1,500.00		
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